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State of Misconsin 2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



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This bill increases the daily rates for care in a juvenile correctional facility and for care for juveniles transferred from a juvenile correctional institution and

decreases the daily rates for corrective sanctions and after care services. In addition, the bill eliminates the statutory daily rates for care for juveniles in a residential care center for children and youth, group home, or foster home, and instead provides that the daily rate for each of those types of care is the amount the provider of that care charges DOC. The bill deletes treatment foster care from the list of services for which DOC charges a daily rate.

*** ANALYSIS FROM -0203/P3 ***

This bill also sets the total amounts that DOC must allocate to counties for state-provided juvenile correctional services and local delinquency-related and juvenile justice services in the 2011–13 fiscal biennium, based on a 10 percent reduction from the 2009–11 fiscal biennium.

*** ANALYSIS FROM -0215/P3 ***

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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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- 1. For fiscal year 2011-2012, the daily rate is \$284 for care in a juvenile correctional facility, \$284 for care for juveniles transferred from a juvenile correctional institution, \$99 for corrective sanctions services, and \$40 for aftercare services.
- 2. For fiscal year 2012-2013, the daily rate is \$289 for care in a juvenile correctional facility, \$289 for care for juveniles transferred from a juvenile correctional institution, \$100 for corrective sanctions services, and \$40 for aftercare services.

of care is an amount equal to the amount the provider of that care charges DOC. The bill also deletes treatment foster care from the list of services for which DOC charges a daily rate.

*** ANALYSIS FROM -0216/P1 ***

Under current law, DHS operates the Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center (center) as a juvenile correctional facility, to provide evaluations and treatment for juveniles whose behavior presents a serious problem to themselves or others in other juvenile correctional facilities and whose mental health needs can be met at the center. Currently, DOC is required to transfer to DHS for those services certain amounts of general purpose revenues and program revenues specified in the statutes. This bill sets those amounts for fiscal years 2011-12 and 2012-13.

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**** ANALYSIS FROM -1308/P2 ***

Under current law, DOA provides access to data lines, video links, and increased bandwidth to certain eligible educational entities and facilities. The Southern Oaks Girls School, the Ethan Allen School, and the Lincoln Hills School are juvenile correctional facilities that may receive that access for educational purposes.

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This bill deletes the Southern Oaks Girls School and the Ethan Allen School, and adds the Copper Lake School, as facilities that may receive that access.

Also under current law, DOC may, under certain circumstances, provide its employees with group transportation to the Ethan Allen School, the Taycheedah Correctional Institution, and the Fox Lake Correctional Institution. The bill deletes the Ethan Allen School as a destination for group transportation.

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